cause of three minutes time limit imposed on calls between inter-diaiing exchanges;

(b) if so, what is the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken to rectify this?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No Sir. The charging is done as per prescribed tariff.

(b) and (c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Restrictions of telephone and telex communications with countries harbouring terrorists

94. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to impose restrictions of telephone and telex communications with the countries harbouring terrorists; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Not for the present.

(b) Does not arise.

Overcharging of rent for temporary telex connections in Tamil Nadu

95. SHRI S. MADHAVAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whethe it is a fact that the Madras Telephone and other telecom. authorities in Tamil Nadu are charging twice the quarterly rent for temporary telex connections though these charges were subsequently reduced one and a half times;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken to rectify this mistake?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF TH MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) At present t rental for temporary telex connectio is being charged at the rate of one a half times of the normal rent. Earl upto middle of Feb. 1993 rental at t rate of twice the normal rental w charged by mistake in the case of Mad Telephones only.

(b) Madras Telephones—24 cases (fr 1990 to Mid-Feb. 1993). Tamil Na Telecom—Nil.

(c) In 2 cases the excess charged r has already been refunded. For remaining 22 cases refund shall be m after locating the original party.

The correction in rental has b incorporated in the latest Teleph Directory of Madras Telephones for benefit of subscribers.

Post Offices in the villages of Ma Pradesh

96. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: SHRI IQBAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of COMMUN TIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of post c in the country and the average pc tion served by each post office;

(b) what are the district-wise offices in Madhya Pradesh and the age population servisel by each office, district-wise;

(c) whether some villages are still out post offices there;

(d) if so, number of such vi and

(e) what steps Government p to take to provide at least mobil offices in such villages in Madhy desh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OI MINISTRY OF COMMUNICA' (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) The r of post offices as on 31-3-93

country is 152037 and the average population served by each post office is 5553.

(b) Details of district-wise post offices in Madhya Pradesh and the average population served by each post offices, district-wise are given in the enclosed Statement. (See below).

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The number of villages without post offices in Mhdaya Pradesh is 66437.

(e) Post Offices are opened as per target fixed each year. For Madhya Pradesh Circle, for 1993-94, a target of 20 branch Post Offices in tribal areas, 15 branch post offices in other areas, 3 sub--post offices in tribal areas and 2 sub-post offices in other areas has been fixed. Six branch post offices in tribal areas and 2 in other areas have been sanctioned so far. At present, there is no policy to provide mobile post offices in villages.

Statement

Details of District-wise Post Offices in Madhya Pradesh and the Average population served by each Post Office, District-wise.

Name of District	No. of Post Offices in District	Average Population served by each PO
1	2	3
1. Indore	167	25334 Persons
2. Dewas	169	6117
3. Dhar	204	6703
4. Gwalior	191	5888
5. Datia	98	3192
6. Hoshangabad	246	5209
7. Narsinghpur	182	4310
8. Khandwa	225	6245
9. Khargone	299	6916
10. Guna	196	6685
11. Shivpuri	222	5103
12. Mandsaur	321	4845
13. Morena	256	6306
14. Bhind	254	4712
15. Ratlam	181	5370
16. Jhabua	166	6810
17. Ujjain	200	18087
18. Shajapur	178	12920
19. Bastar	569	3991

1	2	3
20. Raipur	586	6694
21. Jabalpur	390	6794
22. Bilaspur	647	5867
23. Shahdol	300	5842
24. Sidhi	199	6901
25. Raigarh	416	4140
26. Surguja	273	5583
27. Chhindwara	262	5987
28. Betul	216	5470
29. Rewa	333	4655
30. Satna	286	5113
31. Balaghat	218	6280
32. Mandla	214	6034
33. Seoni	194	5234
34. Durg	328	7308
35. Rajnandgaon	213	6760
36. Bhopal	129	10476
37. Chhatarpur	222	5217
38. Panna	151	4556
39. Tikamgarh	183	5141
40. Sagar	235	7010
41. Damoh	159	5510
42. Sehore	167	5037
43. Rajgarh	165	6016
44. Vidisha	161	6027
45. Raisen	202	4335

जबलपुर में दूरसंचार विभाग के इंजीनियरिंग प्रखंड के नये भवन का निर्माण

97. **श्री शिव प्रसाद चनपुरिया :** क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) दूरसंचार निर्माण एकक रिछाई, जबलपुर में दूरसंचार विभाग के इंजीनियरिंग प्रखण्ड के नए भवन के निर्माण पर कितनी राशि व्यय की गई है;

(ख) उक्त भवन का निर्माण किस विभाग ने किया और दूरसंचार विभाग के किस अधिकारी ने इस घटिया निर्माण को प्रमाणित किया;